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Our Case No. 9651-452
Client Reference No.: N US00118

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Kiyoshi Sato

Serial No.: 10/025,143

Filing Date: December 18, 2001

For: PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC
RECORDING HEAD INCLUDING NONMAGNETIC
LAYER OVERLAYING MAIN POLE LAYER

Examiner: Brian E. Miller

Group Art Unit No.: 2652

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

**Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 22313 -1450**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2004, Applicants elect Invention I, and Claims 1 – 17 for the present application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Application No. 10/025,143
Reply to Office Action of February 9, 2004

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.



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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER | | | Case No. 9281/4252 |
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| Inventor(s) Kiyoshi Sato | | | |
| Title of Invention PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING HEAD INCLUDING NONMAGNETIC LAYER OVERLAYING MAIN POLE LAYER | | | |

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Transmittal (in dup.), Response to Election Requirement, and Return Post Card.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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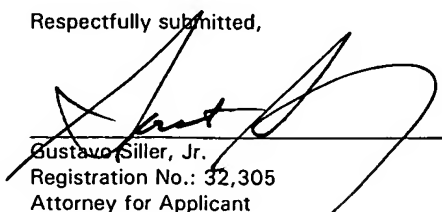
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Respectfully submitted,


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